## **IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY [265]**

## Adopted and Filed

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code sections 17A.3(1)"b," 16.5(1)"r" and 16.40, the Iowa Finance Authority hereby amends Chapter 41, "Shelter Assistance Fund," Iowa Administrative Code.

The purpose of these amendments is to update the rules to comply with federal guidance relating to the administration of the Shelter Assistance Fund to provide financial assistance for the rehabilitation, expansion, or costs of operations of group home shelters for the homeless and domestic violence shelters.

Notice of Intended Action was published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin on July 27, 2011, as **ARC 9643B**. These amendments were also Adopted and Filed Emergency and were published as **ARC 9642B** on the same date. The Authority did not receive any public comment on the proposed amendments. No changes have been made to the amendments published under Notice and Adopted and Filed Emergency.

The Iowa Finance Authority adopted these amendments on October 12, 2011.

After analysis and review of this rule making, no impact on jobs has been found.

These amendments are intended to implement Iowa Code section 16.5(1)"m."

These amendments will become effective on December 7, 2011, at which time the Adopted and Filed Emergency amendments are hereby rescinded.

The following amendments are adopted.

ITEM 1. Amend rule 265—41.6(16) as follows:

**265—41.6(16) Application procedures.** IFA will issue requests for proposals from eligible applicants as often as the state expects funding from HUD for the ESG program. Requests for proposals will combine the ESG program with the SAF program. The proposals must be submitted on the forms or on-line system prescribed by IFA and must, at a minimum, include the amount of funds requested, a description of the need for the funds, documentation of other available funding sources, the source of required local match for the ESG program, and the estimated number of persons to be served by the applicant. Maximum and minimum grant awards will be established by IFA for each competition.

ITEM 2. Amend subrule 41.10(5) as follows:

**41.10(5)** Data reporting system. Subrecipients Recipients and subrecipients shall participate in the HUD-approved Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) adopted by IFA as required in the executed contract, unless the recipient or subrecipient qualifies as a domestic violence shelter, in which case the recipient or subrecipient shall participate in required data collection and reporting activities using a comparable database as defined by HUD (HUD HMIS Data Standards, Revised Notice March 2011).

ITEM 3. Amend paragraph 41.12(3)"a" as follows:

a. HMIS data reports. All recipients and subrecipients of SAF program funds are required to submit regular reports on clients served using the current HMIS reporting process as prescribed by IFA; provided, however, that <u>unless</u> a recipient or subrecipient that qualifies as a domestic violence shelter shall not be required to report personally identifiable information about its homeless domestic violence elients. "Personally identifiable information" shall include any information that the reporting domestic violence shelter reasonably determines could be used to identify a particular client, in which case the recipient or subrecipient must submit reports using a comparable database. A comparable database must collect client-level data over time and generate unduplicated aggregate reports based on that data.

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